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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
Expedited Procedure Requested
Examining Group 2644
Attorney Docket No. P21228

In re application of: N. KOBAYASHI et al.

Application No. : 09/910,849

Group Art Unit: 2644

Filed : July 24, 2001

Examiner: D. R. Sellers

For : DIGITAL RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time.

No additional fee is required.

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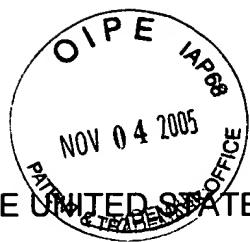
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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated September 6, 2005, in which the three-month shortened statutory period for responding thereto runs to December 6, 2005, but in which a response is being submitted by the two month response due date running to November 7, 2005 (November 6, 2005 being a Sunday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Office Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Response.